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times he wouldn't be getting home to din? ner, I'd say, "I'll take your dinner down." "Oh, I can't stand to eat down there!" He got so sick of it. Eat in the store. I had a cot in the of? fice, which wasn't as big as it is now--we had just the narrow part then. And when my feet would swell, I'd get there with my feet up on a chair, on the cot, laying down and figuring out the prices. Ten o'clock at night and later. Oh my, my. George had a nervous breakdown about a month after we started, maybe not that long. Had to go to the hospital. See, they said we could move in in May, and it wasn't ready. So he gave his notice at the garage, and they hired somebody else. So he was all summer long with no money com? ing in. And worrying and worrying and wor? rying. And the very first day we were there, something went wrong with the ice cream thing, and we had got stuff in--eve? rything was swimming in green popsicles when we got down in the morning. And we were stupid, we didn't know it was insured. We thought we were out all that. The first milk we got in, a lot of it was sour. It seemed everything went wrong. And George got terribly scared. He couldn't sleep. So he ended up in the hospital for 2 or 3 weeks. Then, after a little while, he was back again, because his blood pressure went up so high. And what he got for it put him in a deep depression, and he was laid up for awhile then. And a fellow came ??in one day--a fellow whose buddy wanted the store--and he said that they had just made a bet whether we'd be closed in two weeks or whether we'd last the month. I didn't tell that to George. But it made me so mad. I said, "You go home and tell him that I'll sleep on the floor down here, and I will never give up, and I will never go home, and we'll get through it all right." And we did. Public Course Open Daily 7 Days a Week 295-2174 GOLF BADDECK PAR 32 BADDECK FORKS GOLF COURSE Licensed Lounge Canteen Service Rentals 295-2603 Canada Beautiful, Intelligent and Peacexul ALEXANDER GRAHAM BELL NATIONAL HISTORIC PARK No Admission Charge 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Year Round 9 a.m. - 9 p.m. July 1 to Sept. 30 Open 7 Days a Week 1' Children Can Build & Fly a Bell Kite Special Evening Presentations Inquire 295-2069 for Times GUIDE SERVICE AVAILABLE Baddeck N.S. 75 km. west of Sydney on Route 105 BELL THE MAN \* BELL THE EXPERIMENTER \* HYDROFOIL HALL